

where the water emptied into a sewer. Over two million gallons of water were used on the fire last night, and the ditches at the side of the railroad tracks were filled with water covered by a heavy scum of oil, but precautions were taken to prevent its being ignited. At East street, three blocks away, the odor of oil could be plainly detected from the streams of water that emptied into a manhole at that point, and crowds of people were speculating as to what the result would be if a match were applied, but no one volunteered to try the experiment.

The residents in the neighborhood of the Standard Oil Company's plant, it is said, will petition the City Council to condemn the plant and compel it to move outside the city limits, and a paper to that effect was started in circulation last night. At 11 o'clock it was said there were over two hundred signers, and the reason given for the action was the danger to the community from explosions and fires which might result from the oil plant being located in that section.

POSSIBLY SULTRY TO-DAY.

Showers in Southern Indiana—Warmer in Northern Portion.



WASHINGTON, June 27.—Forecast for Sunday and Monday:

Indiana—Partly cloudy on Sunday; showers in south portion; warmer in north portion. Monday fair; warmer in south portion; light east winds, becoming variable.

Illinois—Partly cloudy and warmer on Sunday. Monday fair; light east winds, becoming variable.

Ohio—Partly cloudy on Sunday; showers in south, warmer in north portion. Monday fair; warmer in south portion; variable winds.

Lower Michigan—Generally fair on Sunday and Monday; variable winds.

North and South Dakota—Fair on Sunday. Monday showers and cooler.

Kentucky—Showers on Sunday. Monday air and warmer.

Kansas and Nebraska—Generally fair on Sunday and Monday.

Iowa—Generally fair on Sunday and Monday.

Wisconsin—Generally fair on Sunday and light to fresh winds, mostly south.

Minnesota—Partly cloudy on Sunday and Monday. Cooler Monday in west and north portions; variable winds.

Local Observations on Saturday.

Bar. 74.7. H. 23.8. W. 23.8. Wind. S.W. 10. Precip. 0.0. Max. temperature 74. Min. temperature 62. Comparative statement of mean temperature and total precipitation on June 27:

Normal 73.0. Precip. 0.10. Actual 74.7. Precip. 0.0. Difference 1.7. Precip. 0.10.

Departure for month. Actual 74.7. Normal 73.0. Difference 1.7. Precip. 0.10.

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MR. PAYNE IS BETTER

WAS AT WORK IN THE POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT YESTERDAY.

May Take a Brief Rest at One of the Resorts Near Washington, Where He Can Be in Touch with Affairs.

MADDER CASE DISCUSSED

THIRD ASSISTANT MAY BE DISCIPLINED FOR INSUBORDINATION.

More Indictments Probable—Congressman Sibley Anxious for a Full Investigation.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, June 27.—Postmaster General Payne returned to his desk at the Postoffice Department this morning after an absence of several days. Mr. Payne is still weak from the effects of his illness, but expresses confidence that from now on his condition will continue to improve. Mr. Payne remarked to the Journal correspondent this morning: "I tell you, I was a pretty sick man, but I feel much improved to-day, although I am at the department against the orders of my physician. I intend to remain a couple of hours, however, and hereafter I will take care that too close application to duty does not bring about a return of my illness."

After attending to the routine business that accumulated at a great rate during his short absence, it is understood, Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne will leave Washington for one of the near-by summer resorts, where Mr. Payne can secure rest and change and still be within touch of affairs in the department.

Practically all of Mr. Payne's time at the department this morning was occupied by conferences with First Assistant Postmaster General Wynne and Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow. It is known that the open letter of Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden, which placed the publication of the facts connected with the registry book contracts, and in which Mr. Madden cast reflections on Mr. Wynne and Mr. Bristow, was the principal topic of discussion. Nothing could be learned as to what action will be taken toward Mr. Madden for his acknowledged insubordination, but it is practically certain that the third assistant will be disciplined. The postmaster general today refused to discuss the matter pending Mr. Madden's return, but it is known that he is regretful over the incident. Mr. Payne's friends assert that although he has no desire to humiliate his subordinate, he will be forced to take cognizance of the insubordination by Mr. Madden. The information regarding the General Mailford Company and its contracts with the department reached the office of either the first or fourth assistant postmaster general.

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OPEN SWITZ AND C

CAUSE TWO SERIOUS WRECKES ON THE NORFOLK & WESTERN.

"Cannon Ball" Train Crashes Into a Freight and Part of Passenger No. 13 Leaves the Track.

FOUR ENGINEERS KILLED

CONDUCTOR, MAIL CLERKS AND OTHERS SERIOUSLY HURT.

Two Men Mangled to Death and Five Injured in Collision at Des Moines, Ia.

Every One of the 180 Saloons in the City Closed—A Colored Bishop's Declaration.

WILMINGTON, Del., June 27.—A week stained with the record of a lynching and mob violence closed calmly and quietly to-night, but it cannot be safely predicted that the present tranquil condition of affairs will continue. The entire police force is on duty and one hundred National Guardsmen are stationed in the army ready for duty. Captain Kane, who is in command of the police, to-night said he did not look for further trouble.

The bitter feeling exhibited by the whites and blacks against each other appears to be rapidly disappearing. There has been no encounter of the races since Thursday night. While this is the condition of affairs to-night, the police propose to keep in force for a few days longer all the precautionary measures they have adopted this week. What is undoubtedly the greatest factor in keeping down disorder is the closing of the saloons. An order issued to the one sent out last night was again issued this afternoon and everyone of Wilmington's 180 saloons closed at 6 o'clock to remain closed until midnight Sunday or Monday morning.

Mayor Fisher to-day sent out a suggestion to the police to keep the streets free of business early, but the streets were crowded to-night with the usual Saturday night shoppers. The crowd was orderly. There were no developments to-day directly connected with the lynching of George White. It is generally believed that the State and city authorities will let the lynching of White be the subject of some of the leading citizens.

A Wilmington evening newspaper to-day quoted the Rev. M. B. Salter of Charleston, S. C., a bishop of the A. M. E. Church, who is visiting in Wilmington, as follows with regard to the lynching of White: "We are willing to take off our coats, mount our horses and ride into hell if necessary to see that the law is carried out. We expect the white men to do the same in case a similar crime is committed on our race by white men."

Report that the Mad Mullah Had Captured Five Posts and Killed Many Men Probably Untrue.

PARIS, June 27.—A dispatch from Jibuti, Abyssinia, says the Mad Mullah has captured five British posts between Bura and Bohlote, in Somaliland. Thirty-nine British officers out of forty-two white men were killed in the engagements, and two thousand native soldiers were made prisoners, the dispatch says.

A dispatch from Aden, ten days ago, stated that the British lines of communication between Berbera and Bohlote were then threatened by the rebellious Mullah and his forces.

Reinforcements comprising three companies of the Hampshire regiment and three hundred native soldiers were ordered to proceed from Aden to Somaliland, June 20. About 14,000 native Abyssinians have been co-oper